GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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SYNTHETIC FIBRE UNDER TECHNOLOGY UPGRADATION FUND SCHEME
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the textiles industry has expressed concern over the decision of the Union Government to include the synthetic fibre manufacturing industry under the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the objection raised by the textiles industry in this regard; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (d): Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI) and Indian Spinners' Association have represented that synthetic fibre manufacturing industry should not be extended the benefits of Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) on the ground of huge financial implications for the synthetic fibre manufacturing sector which is highly capital intensive.

The apprehension is that this will lead to the marginalization of textiles sector beneficiary on account of limited financial allocation, which will also be claimed by synthetic fibre manufacturing sector. Presently, there is no proposal on the part of Government to include synthetic fibre industry under TUFS.